



Environmental Services Strategic Issues:

**Challenges and Opportunities
for 2009 - 2010**

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ES Department Sections

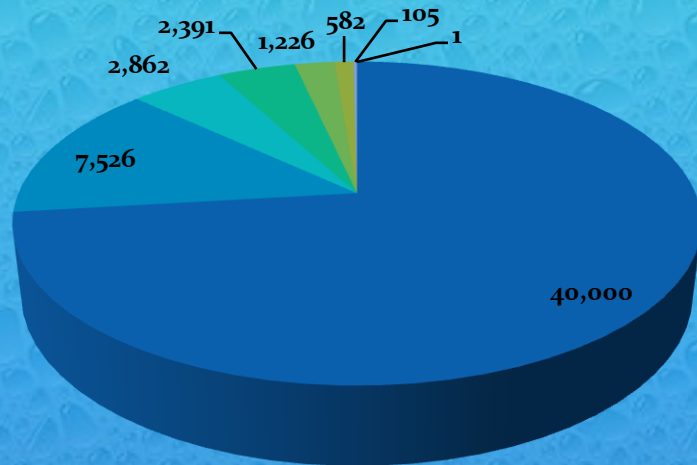
- Animal Services and Shelter
- Food Protection & Tobacco Control
- Child Care Licensure & Registration
- ES Administrative Services
- Environmental Nuisance Code
- Environmental Compliance
- Environmental Assessment & Remediation
- Air Quality/Hazmat Response
- Stormwater Compliance
- Water Quality
- Water Resources Conservation



ES Performance Summary 2007

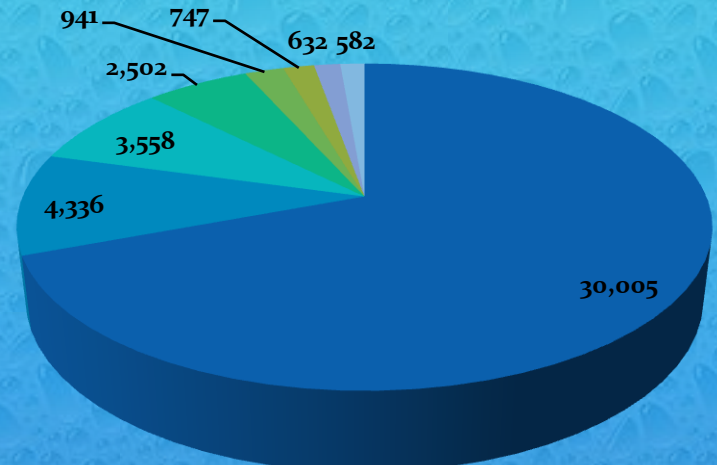
Over 125,000 calls
for service and information ...

54,693 Permits/Licenses



■ Animal Services
■ Food & Tobacco
■ Water Quality
■ Air & HAZMAT
■ EAR
■ Child Care
■ Solid Waste
■ Storm Water

43,303 Inspections & Responses



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ES Average General Fund Expenses & Revenues



SERVICE VALUE

For every \$1.00 of General Fund expended, \$0.77 is returned through revenues (grants, contracts and fees). Great value for the services provided.

ES Strategic Issues

Challenges

- Sustainability
- Limited Capacity

Opportunities

- Partnerships
- Grants/Resources
- Technology



Sustainability

Sustainable
Community – a community that “meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs”



Promotes the idea that you can't have a healthy economy without a healthy environment and a healthy society.

Sustainability

Affects:

- Community - Citizens, businesses/industries, organizations,
- City Operations and Services
- ES and other City Departments

Environmental Stewardship, Society, & Economy - Concerns for:

- Natural Resource Protection – Clean air, clean and adequate drinking water supplies, safe parks and open spaces, clean surface water – rivers and streams, etc.
- Safe and Secure Neighborhoods and Families – Responsive Animal Control Services, safe and healthy day care homes and facilities, hazardous materials response, healthy dining in food establishments, etc.
- Efficient Use of Resources – Energy efficiency and emission reduction, water conservation, etc.

Sustainability

Compliance challenges with new regulations

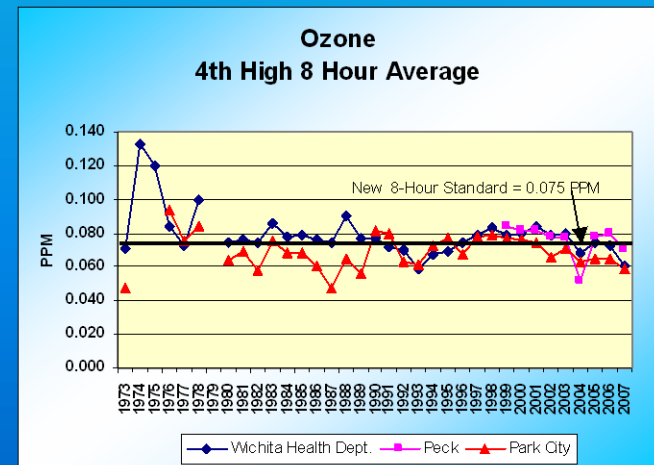
- EPA's Revised Ozone Standard
- Compliance with KDHE's New City Stormwater Permit

Program challenges

- Legislative Changes for Day Care Homes and Facilities
- Legislative Changes for Food Establishments
- Animal Services will have new facilities and expanded operations

Efficiency challenges

- Rising fuel costs
- Need to reduce pollution and air emissions
- Need to conserve water use
- Need to reduce waste disposal volume and costs



Limited Capacity

Limited resources and limited span of control/authority

- Community
- City Operations
- Departments

Reasons:

- Increase in city miles/population
- Increase in demand for city services
- Increase in use of community resources
- Aging infrastructure
- Increase in housing and commercial development



Opportunities

Increase Sustainability and Build Capacity

1) Increase Partnerships:

- Sedgwick County
- Universities/Public and Private Schools
- EPA/KDHE/KDA/KDAH/KDOT
- United Way/Red Cross/Senior Services
- KU Medical/Hospitals/Ks Veterinarian Medical Society
- Wichita Independent Neighborhood Associations
- DABs/Neighborhood Associations/Home Owner Associations
- Wichita Metro Chamber of Commerce, Business and Industry



2) Seek Additional Grants and Funding Sources:

- Federal and State Governments
- Associations and Foundations

3) Increase Technology:

- Improve operational efficiency and track program data
- Maintain and retrieve records, permits, licenses and inspection documents
- Track environmental compliance obligations and sustainable programs

QUESTIONS ???

Environmental Services Department

Website: <http://www.wichita.gov/CityOffices/Environmental/>

